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7 **BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION**

8 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

9 In the Matter of

10 CONSUMER ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION
OF LOS ANGELES,

11 Respondent.
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) FPPC No. 05/487
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) STIPULATION, DECISION and
) ORDER
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14 Complainant Mark Krausse, Executive Director of the Fair Political Practices Commission, and
15 Respondent Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles hereby agree that this stipulation will be
16 submitted for consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its next regularly scheduled
17 meeting.

18 The parties agree to enter into this stipulation to resolve all factual and legal issues raised in this
19 matter, and to reach a final disposition without the necessity of holding an administrative hearing to
20 determine the liability of Respondent.

21 Respondent understands, and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waives, any and all procedural
22 rights set forth in sections 83115.5, 11503 and 11523 of the Government Code, and in sections 18361.1
23 through 18361.9 of title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, the
24 right to personally appear at any administrative hearing held in this matter, to be represented by an

1 attorney at Respondent's own expense, to confront and cross-examine all witnesses testifying at the
2 hearing, to subpoena witnesses to testify at the hearing, to have an impartial administrative law judge
3 preside over the hearing as a hearing officer, and to have the matter judicially reviewed.

4 It is further stipulated and agreed that Respondent Consumer Attorneys Association of Los
5 Angeles violated the Political Reform Act by failing to file an electronic semi-annual campaign
6 statement by the January 31, 2005 due date, in violation of section 84605, subdivision (a) of the
7 Government Code (1 count); and by failing to timely file three late contribution reports, in violation of
8 section 84203, subdivision (a) of the Government Code (3 counts), as described in Exhibit 1. Exhibit 1
9 is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Exhibit 1 is a true and
10 accurate summary of the facts in this matter.

11 Respondent agrees to the issuance of the decision and order, which is attached hereto.
12 Respondent also agrees to the Commission imposing upon it an administrative penalty in the amount of
13 Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000). A cashier's check from Respondent in said amount, made payable
14 to the "General Fund of the State of California," is submitted with this stipulation as full payment of the
15 administrative penalty, to be held by the State of California until the Commission issues its decision and
16 order regarding this matter. The parties agree that in the event the Commission refuses to accept this
17 stipulation, it shall become null and void, and within fifteen (15) business days after the Commission
18 meeting at which the stipulation is rejected, all payments tendered by Respondent in connection with
19 this stipulation shall be reimbursed to Respondent. Respondent further stipulates and agrees that in the

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1 event the Commission rejects the stipulation, and a full evidentiary hearing before the Commission
2 becomes necessary, neither any member of the Commission, nor the Executive Director, shall be
3 disqualified because of prior consideration of this stipulation.

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5 Dated: _____

Mark Krausse
Executive Director
Fair Political Practices Commission

8 Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles,
9 Respondent

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IT IS SO ORDERED.

Liane M. Randolph, Chairman
Fair Political Practices Commission